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Subject:

State Fuel Tax Allocations to Counties

As provided in Montana statute, each year the Department of Transportation calculates the state fuel tax to be allocated to each county in Montana. Following are the amounts Ravalli County can expect for the 2008 state fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007. The total of the two amounts shown for each statute will be combined and paid in twelve monthly installments.

Please note that for this year's calculation, the U.S. Census Bureau's 2005 population estimates for Montana's counties are being used. Since population carries equivalent weight in fuel tax calculations as road mileage, any differences in the allocation amounts shown below as compared to last year's allocations may be due to either or both factors.

Statute	Amount
15-70-101	\$281,089.10
7-14-102(2)	\$3,343.11
Total	\$284,432.22

Also shown is the comparison between allocations for the upcoming and previous state fiscal years. This amount may differ due to a variety of reasons including city annexations where both road miles and population are diverted from the county to the cities, changes in road status within the National Forest Service areas, and high growth areas across the state garnering larger percentages of the fuel tax dollars. Please note that the road mileages used to calculate allocations reflect those roads shown on the fuel tax maps signed yearly by each county's officials and other submitted roads (if eligible).

	SFY2008	SFY2007
Allocation	\$284,432.22	\$284,546.31

If you have any questions, please contact Andrea West at 444-6119 or me at 444-6111.

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